GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:320
ANSWERED ON:19.12.2008
POWER TRANSMISSION LINES
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any target has been fixed by the Union Government for laying of power transmission lines in the country during the Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the percentage of work completed by October, 2008 against the target; and

(d) the steps being taken to achieve the target in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 320 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 19.12.2008 REGARDING POWER TRANSMISSION LINES.

(a) to (c) : The Central Electricity Authority (CEA) has finalized the programme for laying of power transmission lines in the country in tandem with the capacity addition programme during the 11th Five Year Plan. The construction of a transmission system is a dynamic programme. It has to correspond to addition in generation capacity. In case of any change in the programme of commissioning of generation projects, a rigorous continuing exercise is carried out to reschedule the programme of transmission works to match the commissioning of generation projects. The programme and the percentage of work completed by October, 2008 are given below:

Transmission Lines Programme (11th Plan) (2007-2012)	Achievement Upto October 2008	Percentage Achievement
Central Sector (ckm) 55360	9257	16.72
State Sector (ckm) 40200	8418	20.94
TOTAL (ckm) 95,560	17,675	18.49

(d) : The following steps are being taken to achieve the targets:

(i) Comprehensive monitoring is done by the Ministry of Power and Central Electricity Authority by convening project review meetings at regular intervals to assess the critical areas, project interface problems and completion trends etc. to take pre-emptive measures and advance action on various project linked activities.

(ii) Project execution is also monitored at field level and at corporate level by the respective executing agencies.

(iii) Bottlenecks faced by the executing agencies are sought to be resolved by taking timely action with the concerned authorities in respect of forest clearances, railway clearances, Right of Way (ROW) problems etc.